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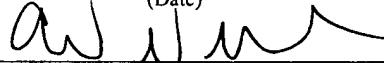
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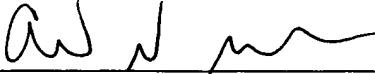
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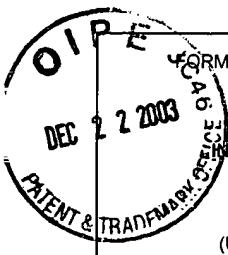
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1	6,492,283	12/10/02	Raaijmakers et al.			
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